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CENTRAL VALLEY WATER BOARD EXECUTIVE OFFICER ISSUES \$500,000 COMPLAINT TO JMC HOMES FOR VIOLATIONS IN ROSEVILLE

The Central Valley Water Board Executive Officer issued an Administrative Civil Liability complaint to JMC Homes in Roseville in the amount of \$500,000 for violations of a construction storm water permit.

JMC Homes is the owner and developer of the Longmeadow Estates, a 99.8-acre construction project in the city of Roseville. Runoff from the site discharges to Pleasant Grove Creek. The site had storm water violations in 2004 that were fixed with the installation of an advanced water treatment system.

Violations were found again in November and December 2005. Staff contacted the discharger and on separate occasions, issued two Notices of Violation. JMC Homes responded to the notices with assurances that the site would comply with the storm water permit requirements. JMC Homes installed more water treatment devices to prevent violations, but in March and April 2006, regional water board staff noted more violations resulting from a lack of maintenance of pollution prevention devices. In a number of inspections, sediment-laden storm water was seen discharging into the storm drain and tributary to Pleasant Grove Creek.

The city of Roseville holds a municipal storm water permit that requires inspection of construction sites and coordination with the regional water board.

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board is scheduled to consider the complaint at its regular board meeting on June 22-23, 2006.